BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	CASE NO. SPL-W-04-1
SPIRIT LAKE EAST WATER COMPANY)	
REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
ITS HOOK UP FEES FOR WATER SERVICE)	
)	NOTICE OF MODIFIED
)	PROCEDURE
)	
)	ORDER NO. 29451

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on January 14, 2004, Spirit Lake East Water Company filed an Application requesting that the Commission authorize it to increase the hook up fee it charges new customers connecting to its water system from \$650 to \$2,500.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company contends that this increase is necessary because: 1) the Company has not increased its hook up fee since 1983; and 2) the Company currently pays more than \$650 to perform water system hook ups as shown by its average costs for hook up fees for the last two years, 2002-2003, which are \$2,100 per hook up. In addition, the Company has included a 20% contingency to its actual costs to provide security against future unanticipated costs and increased costs to materials and services. The Company alleges that its actual costs with the contingency equal approximately \$2,500 per hook up.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission on or before **April 30, 2004**. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. In addition, Spirit Lake may file reply comments with the Commission on or before

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 29451 May 7, 2004. Written comments and reply comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Applicant at the addresses reflected below:

Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074

Robert J. Boyle Spirit Lake East Water Company 15807 E. Indiana Ave. Spokane Valley, WA 99216 E-mail: admin@hansonind.com

Street Address for Express Mail:

472 W. Washington Street Boise, ID 83702-5983

These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at www.puc.state.id.us. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Applicant at the e-mail address listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application, together with supporting workpapers and exhibits, have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and that the Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 et seq.

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application of Spirit Lake East Water Company shall be processed by Modified Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204. Persons interested in submitting written comments in this matter should do so on or before April 30, 2004.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Spirit Lake East Water Company may file reply comments on or before May 7, 2004.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 22⁻¹ day of March 2004.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

DENNIS S. HANSEN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Commission Secretary

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